

1	2	3	4	5	6
10.	Karur	0	0	61	219
11.	Krishnagiri	0	17	50	102
12.	Madurai	05	09	186	1540
13.	Nagapattinam	10	285	173	2867
14.	Namakkal	0	0	81	211
15.	Perambalur	0	02	79	156
16.	Pudukottai	02	33	313	1271
17.	Ramanathapuram	01	37	330	964
18.	Salem	02	08	79	323
19.	Sivagangai	04	07	232	660
20.	Thanjavur	15	106	709	7096
21.	The Nilgiris	01	0	10	144
22.	Theni	09	08	253	1602
23.	Thoothukudi	0	07	31	102
24.	Tiruchirapalli	14	09	237	1156
25.	Tirunelveli	08	36	47	73
26.	Tiruvallur	17	34	904	4025
27.	Tiruvannamalai	06	51	143	666
28.	Tiruvarur	06	315	202	1850
29.	Vellore	02	04	112	274
30.	Villupuram	29	40	670	3324
31.	Virudhunagar	14	21	94	477
TOTAL:		211	1191	6539	38369

Smuggling of arms and ammunition and contraband drugs through sea-route

678. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are rising incidents of smuggling of arms and ammunitions and contraband drugs in our country through sea-route;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that our ports are not capable of detecting smuggled arms and ammunitions and contraband drugs due to non-installation of highly sensitive scanners;

(d) if so, whether it is also a fact that the Home Ministry has advised installation of highly sensitive scanners in place of the present scanners on all ports; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI): (a) and (b) Intelligence inputs received from field formations indicate that the coast line along several States and UTs in vulnerable to illegal

cross border activities including smuggling of arms/ammunitions and contraband drugs. However, no major seizures of these items smuggled into the country through sea route have been made by Customs in the recent past.

(c) to (e) No, Sir. At ports, imported cargo is subjected to physical examination as per prescribed norms so as to detect misdeclaration with intent to evade duties and to detect concealed contraband goods. Such examination is done on the basis of risk profiling of the containers. The containers are detained and examined on the basis of specific intelligence. At Nhava Sheva Port, some containers are scanned using non-intrusive inspection equipment of detect concealed/misdeclared goods. Thus, physical examination as per norms, examination based on specific intelligence and non-intrusive inspection of containers are being used to detect smuggling contraband goods including arms/ammunitions/narcotics drugs.

**Attack against minority community members
and institutions**

679. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the reported increase incidents of attack against minority community members and institutions particularly from Orissa, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the number of cases reported from across the country; State-wise and incident-wise details;

(c) whether the culprits have been arrested and cases registered; and

(d) the details of measures taken to prevent such incidents in the future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) "Public Order" and "Police" being State subjects as per the Constitution of India, the State Governments are primarily responsible for maintenance of law and order and taking action against the accused.

However, as per available information, the details of communal incidents, persons killed and injured therein in the country during the year 2007 are given in Statement (*See below*).

(d) To prevent communal incidents in the country the Union Government assists the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in a variety of ways like sharing of intelligence, sending alert messages, sending Central Para-Military Forces including the composite Rapid Action Force created specially to deal with communal situations to the concerned State Governments on specific request, and in the modernization of the State Police Forces. In addition, the Union Government sends advisories and guidelines in this regard from time to time. The activities of all organizations having a bearing on communal harmony in the country are under constant watch of law enforcement agencies and requisite legal action is taken, wherever necessary.

The Union Government has also introduced a Bill titled 'The Communal Violence (Prevention, Control and Rehabilitation of Victims) Bill, 2005' in Rajya Sabha to address various aspects of the issue of communal violence.